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SUBJECT: EMIR OF KUWAIT VISITS TUNISIA

1. SUMMARY: FOLLOWING HIS ATTENDENCE AT NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT IN ALGIERS, EMIR OF KUWAIT MADE A THREE-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO TUNISIA SEPTEMBER 12-15. VISIT HAD TRAPPINGS OF PROFORMA COURTESY STAY AND ONLY SUBSTANTIVE ACTION WAS SIGNING OF AGREEMENTS PROMOTING TRADE AND PRIVATE INVESTMENT. DETAILS OF THESE NOT YET KNOWN. JOINT COMMUNIQUE STRESSES DETERMINATION TO STRENGTHEN BILATERAL COOPERATION AND INDICATES AGREEMENTS WERE SIGNED IN FIELDS OF ECONOMICS, TOURISM, CULTURE, INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY. EMIR ON DEPARTURE FOR MOROCCO SAID HE HOPED HIS UNDERSTANDING WITH BOURGUIBA WOULD SERVE AS A BASIS FOR STRENGTHENING TIES BETWEEN TUNISIA AND KUWAIT. BOURGUIBA ACCEPTED EMIR'S INVITATION TO VISIT KUWAIT. DATE NOT ANNOUNCED.

2. EMIR WAS ACCOMPANIED INTER ALIA BY HIS PERSONAL ADVISER SHEIKH ABDULLAH JABER AL-SUBAH, AND MINISTER
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OF STATE FOR COUNCIL OF MINISTERIAL AFFAIRS ABDALAZIZ

HUSSEIN.

3. VISIT WHICH BEGAN WITH MOTORCADE THROUGH TUNIS, INCLUDED TWO OFFICIAL DINNERS AT PALACE, HOSTED BY BOURGUIBA AND EMIR RESPECTIVELY, DINNER GIVEN BY PRIME MINISTER NOUIRA, LUNCHEON HOSTED BY PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL/ASSEMBLY SADOK MOKADDEM FOLLOWING EMIR'S SPEECH TO NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AND VISITS TO KAIROUAN AND MONASTIR.

4. JOINT COMMUNIQUE MENTIONED FRATERNAL ATMOSPHERE SURROUNDING SERIES OF MEETINGS BETWEEN TWO CHIEFS OF STATE, DECLARED THEIR SATISFACTION WITH DEVELOPMENT OF COOPERATION THUS FAR AND EXPRESSED DETERMINATION TO REINFORCE COOPERATION AND EXTEND IT TO ALL FIELDS. IN THIS REGARD AGREEMENTS CONCLUDED BY FOREIGN MINISTERS OF TWO COUNTRIES COVERING COOPERATION IN SEVERAL FIELDS TO STRENGTHEN COOPERATION IN SCIENCE, ARTS, LETTERS, EDUCATION, SPORTS, INFORMATION AND EXCHANGE OF EXPERTS AND TECHNICIANS IN FIELDS OF SCIENCE AND ADMINISTRATION. ON INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMUNIQUE CITES JOINT SUPPORT FOR LIBERATION OF ARAB TERRITORIES, FULL SUPPORT FOR PALESTINIAN RESISTANCE BY ALL MATERIAL, MORAL AND DIPLOMATIC MEANS AT THEIR DISPOSAL. TWO COUNTRIES WILL ENCOURAGE UNITY OF ACTION BY PALESTINIAN RESISTANCE AND ARRANGE CONDITIONS TO PERMIT IT TO CARRY ON STRUGGLE WITHOUT INTERRUPTION. TWO PARTIES DENOUNCE "SUCCESSIVE AGGRESSIONS OF ZIONIST ENEMY" AND CALL AGAIN FOR COMBINING ALL ARAB ENERGIES TO RESPOND TO THESE CHALLENGES. ON THE GULF, TWO PARTIES PUT ACCENT ON NEED FOR RIPARIAN STATES TO CONSOLIDATE AND COOPERATE EFFECTIVELY TO EXPLOIT THEIR RESOURCES IN SOLE INTEREST OF PEOPLE, APART FROM ALL FOREIGN INTERFERENCE, ESSENTIAL CONDITION FOR REALIZING PROGRESS IN ATMOSPHERE OF STABILITY AND SERENITY.

5. COMMENT: GOT AND BOURGUIBA OBVIOUSLY INTERESTED IN SEEKING KUWAIT INVESTMENT FOR ACHIEVING CURRENT FOUR-YEAR PLAN. TUNISIANS MAIN ASSET IN EXCHANGE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IS HUMAN RESOURCES IN VARIOUS FIELDS. REMAINS TO BE SEEN HOW MUCH ADDITIONAL KUWAITI INVESTMENT, PRIVATE OR PUBLIC, WILL FLOW FROM THIS VISIT. CURRENTLY KUWAIT IS PROVIDING ASSISTANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF FISHING PORTS AT CHEBBA, SFAX AND GABES AND IT FINANCED A LOAN TO THE ELECTRICITY COMPANY (STEG). DIPLOMATIC CHIEFS-OF MISSION, WHO ATTENDED AIRPORT ARRIVAL AND FAREWELL CEREMONIES AND WHO WERE INVITED TO THE OFFICIAL DINNERS AS WELL AS TO

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SPEECH, HAD NO OPPORTUNITIES TO
MIX WITH VISITING DELEGATION. AS IN CASE OF VISIT
OF SULTAN OF MUSCAT, AMBASSADORS MERELY ORNAMENTED
PROTOCOLARY FUNCTIONS, WHICH HAS LED TO CERTAIN
AMOUNT OF GRUMBLING IN RANKS OF DIPLOMATIC CORPS
(INCLUDING ON PART OF AMERICAN AMBASSADOR WHO KNEW
MEMBERS OF KUWAIT'S DELEGATION WELL).
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